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I have but little doubt that in a few years this port will be as free from yellow fever as have been the cities of Cuba since the discovery of the transmission of this fever by the mosquito and the institution of measures against it based on this knowledge.

CANADA.

Inspection of immigrants at St. John, New Brunswick, month of December, 1903.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Billings reports as follows: Month of December, 1903: Number of immigrants inspected, 817; number passed, 787; number detained, 30.

Month of January, 1904: Number of immigrants inspected, 534; number passed, 497; number detained, 37.

CHINA.

Report from Hongkong—Fumigation of vessels to kill rats.

Passed Assistant Surgeon McMullen reports, December 23, as follows:

During the week ended December 19, 1903, 10 vessels, with 930 officers and crew and 479 passengers (276 cabin and 203 steerage) were inspected and granted bills of health; 590 crew and 100 steerage passengers were bathed and their baggage was disinfected—711 pieces. One vessel bound for Seattle was fumigated to kill rats, and 1 for Manila was ordered via Mariveles for treatment. There were 15 aliens recommended for rejection during the week.

Immigrants for Honolulu, San Francisco, Portland, and Tacoma recommended for rejection.

Number of immigrants per steamship *Korea* for Honolulu recommended December 26, 1903, for rejection, 3; for San Francisco, 26.

Number of immigrants per steamship *Indrasamha* for Portland recommended, December 26, 1903, for rejection, 5.

Number of immigrants per steamship *Victoria* for Tacoma recommended, December 30, 1903, for rejection, 7.

Report from Shanghai—Smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, December 31, as follows: During the week ended December 26, 1903, 1 original and 3 supplemental bills of health were issued, and there were inspected 3 vessels, 173 crew, 38 cabin, and 1 steerage passenger. One immigration inspection was made with no rejections. Manifests were viséed for 12,522 pieces of freight and 17 pieces were inspected and passed. The holds, the between and spar decks, together with the coolie quarters of one vessel were disinfected with bichloride solution, 1 to 800.

During the week there were reported to the municipal health officer 6 deaths from smallpox, 8 cases of enteric fever, and 2 cases and 1 death from diphtheria. The total reported mortality was 2 foreigners and 113 natives.

Reports received from outports do not show the existence of quarantinable disease.